United States Bankruptcy Court <u>SOUTHERN DISTR</u> 61288, Houston TX 77208 (Houston Div	PROOF OF CLAIM			
Name of Debtors *	Case Number			
Stage Stores, Inc., a Delaware corporation Specialty Retailers, Inc., a Texas corporation Specialty Retailers, Inc. (NV), a Nevada corporation	00-35078-H2-11 00-35079-H2-11 00-35080-H2-11	788-60665 Creditor ID#:		
*place an "x" beside the name of the Debtor you are filing a claim against				
Name of Creditor (The person or other entity to whom the debtor owes money or property):  The Democrat	Check box if you are aware that anyone else a filed a proof of claim relating to your claim.  Attach copy of statement giving particulars.	United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas FILED  JUL 1 3 2000		
Name and address where notices should be sent:	Check box if you have never	OOL 1 3 2000		
**************************************	received any notices from the	Michael N. A.		
PO Box 369	bankruptcy court in this case	Michael N. Milby, Clerk		
219 East Main Street Senatobia MS 38668-0369	Check box if the address differs from the address on the envelope sent to you by the court.			
Account or other number by which creditor identifies debtor:	Check here replaces			
Det 15610	· [ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ously filed ciaim, dated:		
1. Basis for Claim	Retiree benefits as defined in 11 U	.S.C. 8 1114(a)		
Goods sold	Wages, salaries, and compensatio	n (Fill out below)		
<u>Services performed</u> Money loaned	Your \$\$#:	·		
Personal injury/wrongful death	Unpaid compensation for services			
Taxes	1			
	from to _			
Other	from to (date)	(date)		
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SOLD TO:

STAGE STORES, INC.

(015610)

ATTN: ADV. BUSINESS OFFICE

10201 MAIN STREET

HOUSTON

TX 77025

DATE	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	7	ZONE	ORIG AMT	AMT OPEN	BALANCE
05/02/00 05/09/00 05/16/00	6x11	I MOM'S DAY	IDS/#0050854	B B RAT B	126.00 277.20 260.00		\$747.20 \$873.20 \$1,150.40 \$1,410.40
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	RENT OV	VER 30 DAYS \$898.40	OVER 60 DA \$0.	AYS .00	OVER 90 DA \$0.		120 DAYS \$0.00

# United States Bankruptcy Court

#### Southern District of Texas

### Notice of

# Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Case, Meeting of Creditors, & Deadlines

A chapter 11 bankruptcy case concerning each of the debtor corporations listed below was filed on June 1, 2000

You may be a creditor of one or more of the debtor(s), This notice lists important deadlines. You may want to consult an attorney to protect your rights. All documents filed in the cases may be inspected at the bankruptcy clerk's office at the address listed below. NOTE: The staff of the bankruptcy clerk's office cannot give legal advice.

### See Reverse Side For Important Explanations.

Stage Stores, Inc., a Delaware corp.; Case No. 00-35078-H2-11 Specialty Retailers, Inc., a Texas corp.; Case No. 00-35079-H2-11

Specialty Retailers. Inc. (NV). a Dallas corp.: Case No. 00-35080-H2-

10210 Main Street Houston, TX 77025-5229

Toll Free Number: 1-800-804-2013 (for case information)

Attorney for Debtors (name and address):

Debtor (name(s), case numbers and address):

Andrew E. Jillson, Esq.

Lynnette R. Warman, Esq.

Jenkens & Gilchrist, a Professional corporation

1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 3200

Dallas, TX 75202-2799

Jointly Administered Under Case Number 00-35078-H2-11

Taxpayer ID Nos:

76-0407711 (Stage Stores, Inc.)

74-0821900 (Specialty Retailers, Inc.)

91-1826900 (Specialty Retailers, Inc. (NV))

Attorneys for Debtors Telephone Number:

Toll Free 1-877-559-9672

Information may also be obtained from the

following website:

Website address: www.stagestoresbankruptcy.com

# Meeting of Creditors

Date: 7 / 11 / 00

Time: 2:00

A.M.

(X) P.M.

Location:

U.S. Courthouse

Jury Assembly Room 515 Rusk, 6th Floor

Houston, Texas 77002

### Deadlines to File a Proof of Claim

Proofs of Claim must be received by the bankruptcy clerk's office by the following deadline:

For all creditors (except a governmental unit): 10/9/00

For a governmental unit: 11/28/00

Mail claim to: U.S. Bankruptcy Court

P.O. Box 61288

Houston, TX 77208

# Creditors May Not Take Certain Actions:

The filing of the bankruptcy case automatically stays certain collection and other actions against the debtor and the debtor's property. If you attempt to collect a debt or take other action in violation of the Bankruptcy Code, you may be penalized.

Address of the Bankruptcy Clerk's Office: 515 Rusk Avenue

1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Houston, Texas 77002

Telephone number: 713/250-5115

Hours Open: 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

For the Court:

Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court:

Michael N. Milby, Clerk

Date: